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Garza Family Statement on Upcoming Execution of Convicted Capital Murderer Frank Garcia

The family of San Antonio Police Officer Hector Garza prepared the following statements and request they be released to the media, through the Department's Public Information Office, as our sole comments regarding the execution of Frank Garcia.

The Garza family requests that all members of the media respect their privacy, as they will not grant interviews nor make further public statements regarding the execution now, or at any foreseeable time in the future.

The execution of Frank Garcia brings to a close a very sad chapter in the lives of Officer Hector Garza's family. His wife and children lost a devoted husband and father, and his extended family in blue lost a brother officer committed to protecting his community with pride, dignity, and valor. Though the execution does not bring complete closure to Hector's family, as we will all miss him dearly, it comforts us to know Frank Garcia will never destroy another family.

The Garza family does not view Frank Garcia's execution as a cause for celebration, for Hector would be deeply saddened by the loss of another life. However, they do recognize his execution as a very necessary reminder that the citizens of this great state will not tolerate the Murder of a Texas Peace Officer and the death penalty imposed must send a loud and clear message to those who would commit such an act. Frank Garcia's execution must stand as an example of the Ultimate Justice paid for the Ultimate Sacrifice made by Hector Garza and his family.

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